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 Special Meeting.
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A special meeting of the City Council was held, pursuant to notice properly given, in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, at 11:00 o'clock A. M., Monday, October 24, 1938, with Mayor Douglas presiding and following Councilmen Baxter, Durham, Griswold, Hovis, Hudson, Huntley, Nance, Sides and Wilkinson being present.

Absent: Councilmen Albea and Little.

PURPOSE OF MEETING.

The Mayor announced that this meeting had been called for the purpose of receiving recommendations from the Architect and for awarding contracts for the construction of Boiler and Laundry Building and Radial Brick Stack, including certain electric conduit work; also, furnishing and erection of boilers and boiler foundations and certain plumbing work and surface line extensions, on the site of the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, P.W.A. Docket 1412-F.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY GRANTED PRIVILEGE OF MOVING CHAIRS FROM ARMORY BY RENTING ARMORY-AUDITORIUM FOR ONE DAY.

Before taking up the business for which this meeting was called, three representatives from the Ford Motor Company, who were present at this meeting, were given the opportunity to make their request.

The Ford Motor Company, who are having a pre-showing of the new 1939 cars, bringing several hundred out-of-town visitors to Charlotte, requested use of 1200 chairs from the Armory to be moved to their plant on Statesville Avenue, on Thursday, October 27th., guaranteeing to return the chairs in A-1 condition or replace any that may be broken. They stated they had made every effort to obtain these chairs from other sources but without success and that unless they secured them from the Armory they would be compelled to require 1200 men to stand for about four hours. They stated they would be willing to rent the Armory for one day in order to be granted the privilege of using the chairs.

After discussion by the Council, Councilman Baxter made a motion that the Ford Motor Company rent the Armory for one day and that they be granted the privilege of using the chairs at their plant and returning them the same day, the Ford Motor Company to be held responsible for any chairs damaged. Motion seconded by Councilman Griswold and carried.

RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT FOR BOILER AND LAUNDRY BUILDING AND RADIAL BRICK STACK.

The following Resolution was read by the City Manager:

WHEREAS, pursuant to advertisements, bids for the construction of Boiler and Laundry Building and Radial Brick Stack, including certain electrical conduit work for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, have been filed by the following bidders for the General Contract:

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J. A. Jones Construction Company	\$25,359.00
A. H. Guion & Company	25,243.00
Goode Construction Corporation	24,410.00
Southeastern Construction Company	24,136.00
J. J. McDevitt Company	23,540.00

and that said bids have been duly received, opened and publically read; and

WHEREAS, J. B. Marshall, City Manager, and Walter W. Hook, Architect, tabulated and considered all bids heretofore received for the construction of the Boiler and Laundry Building and Radial Brick Stack, including certain electrical conduit work and have duly made recommendations to the City Council of Charlotte, North Carolina, and it appearing from said recommendations and report that the J. J. McDevitt Company of Charlotte, North Carolina, is the lowest and best bidder for the construction of said Boiler and Laundry Building and Radial Brick Stack, in the sum of Twenty-three thousand five hundred forty dollars (\$23,540.00) and that the City Council, after considering said report and recommendation and all bids heretofore filed, finds that the bid of J. J. McDevitt Company is the lowest and best bid:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, as follows:

Section 1. That the bid of J. J. McDevitt Company for the construction of Boiler and Laundry Building and Radial Brick Stack, including certain electrical conduit work for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital in the sum of Twenty-three thousand five hundred forty dollars (23,540.00) is hereby accepted, determined and declared to be the lowest and best bid, and that a contract for the construction of said work, as heretofore prescribed by the plans, specifications and contract documents, shall be forthwith executed for said construction.

Section 2. That Ben E. Douglas, Mayor, and Alice B. McConnell, City Clerk, are hereby authorized and directed to execute said contract for and on behalf of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina.

On motion of Councilman Baxter, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the above resolution, awarding the contract to J. J. McDevitt Company, was unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR PLUMBING WORK AND SERVICE LINE EXTENSIONS.

On motion of Councilman Sides, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, the following Resolution, awarding the contract for Plumbing Work and Service Line Extensions on the site of the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, to Acme Plumbing Company, Incorporated, was adopted:

WHEREAS, pursuant to advertisements, bids for the installation of Plumbing Work and Service Line Extensions on the site of the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, have been filed by the following bidders for the installation of Plumbing Work and Service Line Extensions:

Toomey Brothers	\$3,549.00
Waldrop Heating & Plumbing Company	3,390.00
Acme Plumbing Company, Incorporated	3,293.00
Tompkins-Johnston Company	2,977.00

and that said bids have been duly received, opened and publically read, and it appears from examination of the certified check presented by the Tompkins-Johnston Company that said check is less than the amount called for in the specifications, and consequently said bid was considered irregular; and

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WHEREAS, J. B. Marshall, City Manager, and Walter W. Hook, Architect, tabulated and considered all bids heretofore received for the installation of Plumbing Work and Service Line Extensions and have duly made recommendations to the City Council of Charlotte, North Carolina, and it appearing from said recommendations and report that the Acme Plumbing Company, Incorporated, of Charlotte, North Carolina, is the lowest and best bidder for the installation of Plumbing Work and Service Line Extensions, in the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-three Dollars (\$3,293.00) and that the City Council, after considering said report and recommendations and all bids heretofore filed, finds that the bid of Acme Plumbing Company, Incorporated, is the lowest and best bid:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, as follows:

Section 1. That the bid of Acme Plumbing Company, Incorporated, for the installation of Plumbing Work and Service Line Extensions, on the site of the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, in the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-three Dollars (\$3,293.00) is hereby accepted, determined and declared to be the lowest and best bid, and that a contract for the construction of said work, as heretofore prescribed by the plans, specifications and contract documents, shall be forthwith executed for said installation.

Section 2. That Ben E. Douglas, Mayor, and Alice B. McConnell, City Clerk, are hereby authorized and directed to execute said contract for and on behalf of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR INSTALLATION OF BOILERS AND BOILER FOUNDATIONS.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Baxter, the following Resolution, awarding the contract for installation of boilers and boiler foundations to the Tompkins-Johnston Company, was adopted:

WHEREAS, pursuant to advertisements, bids for the installation of Boilers and Boiler Foundations for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, have been filed by the following bidders for the installation of Boilers and Boiler Foundations:

Reliance Engineering Company, Inc.	\$15,441.00
Waldrop Heating and Plumbing Company	14,890.00
A. Z. Price Company	14,682.70
Tompkins-Johnston Company	13,747.00

and that said bids have been duly received, opened and publically read; and

WHEREAS, J. B. Marshall, City Manager, and Walter W. Hook, Architect, tabulated and considered all bids heretofore received for the installation of Boilers and Boiler Foundations and have duly made recommendations to the City Council of Charlotte, North Carolina, and it appearing from said recommendations and report that the Tompkins-Johnston Company, of Charlotte, North Carolina, is the lowest and best bidder for the installation of Boilers and Boiler Foundations, in the sum of Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-seven Dollars (\$13,747.00) and that the City Council after considering said report and recommendations and all bids heretofore filed, finds that the bid of Tompkins-Johnston Company is the lowest and best bid:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, as follows:

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Section 1. That the bid of Tompkins-Johnston Company for the installation of Boilers and Boiler Foundations for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, in the sum of Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-seven Dollars (\$13,747.00), is hereby accepted, determined and declared to be the lowest and best bid, and that a contract for the installation of said work, as heretofore prescribed by the plans, specifications and contract documents, shall be forthwith executed for said installation.

Section 2. That Ben E. Douglas, Mayor, and Alice B. McConnell, City Clerk, are hereby authorized and directed to execute said contract for and on behalf of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina.

RECOMMENDATION OF ARCHITECTS ON ABOVE CONTRACTS.

Prior to presentation of the above resolutions, the City Manager read the following letter from the Architects for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital:

"After carefully studying the proposals which were submitted on Friday morning in connection with the contracts for the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, and after further analyses of the quantities and prices involved, I hereby recommend that the Proposal of J. J. McDevitt Company for the General Contract, in the sum of \$23,540.00; and that the Proposal of Tompkins-Johnston Company for the Boilers and Boiler Foundations, in the sum of \$13,747.00; and that the Proposal for the Plumbing Contract by the Acme Plumbing Company, in the sum of \$3,293.00, be accepted by the City Council.

Very truly yours,
CHARLES C. HOOK AND WALTER W. HOOK
ARCHITECTS
By Walter W. Hook"

DISCUSSION REGARDING PLUMBING CONTRACT.

Before adoption of the Resolution relative to letting of Contract for the Plumbing on the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, Mr. Marshall explained that the bid of Tompkins-Johnston Company was the lowest bid submitted but that their bid check was not in accordance with specifications and for that reason their bid was thrown out. He explained that the representative of the Public Works Administration, who was in Charlotte for the opening of the bids, had advised that this bid would have to be thrown out altho Tompkins-Johnston Company had offered to raise the check, and that it was customary in letting contracts of this nature to do so where the bid check was not in accordance with specifications.

A discussion by the Council was also held regarding the amounts of these three contracts being higher than the architects' estimate, but due to the necessity of getting the work started within the time limit set by the Public Works Administration it was necessary to let them and cut down on others later on.

CONTRACT WITH DR. WM. H. WALSH, AS CONSULTANT FOR CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The City Manager read a letter received from Mrs. Morgan B. Speir, Executive Secretary of the Charlotte Memorial Hospital, relative to the contract of Dr. William Henry Walsh, in which he stated that in accordance with the wishes of the City Council, the contract with Dr. Walsh was rewritten and forwarded to the Regional Director's office in Atlanta for approval, and that this approval was given, and the contract again presented for execution by the City of Charlotte.

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The revised contract was then read in full by Mr. Marshall, and on motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Hovis, was accepted and the Mayor and Clerk were authorized to execute same.

NO MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26TH, 1938.

It was suggested that no Council meeting be held on Wednesday, October 26th. Mr. Marshall read a telegram which he had just received from Mr. Theodore S. Johnston, of Raleigh, stating that he would come to Charlotte for the Council meeting on Wednesday, relative to the Low-cost Housing Survey, but Councilman Sides moved that the Council not meet on Wednesday and that a telegram be sent to Mr. Johnston, asking him to postpone his visit for one week. Motion seconded by Councilman Nance and unanimously carried.

CITY MANAGER TO ATTEND NORTH CAROLINA SECTION, AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION MEETING IN GREENSBORO.

On motion of Councilman Huntley, seconded by Councilman Wilkinson, the City Manager was instructed to attend the meeting of the North Carolina Section, American Water Works Association, in Greensboro on Monday and Tuesday of the following week, and invite this organization to hold its next annual convention in Charlotte.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Councilman Wilkinson, seconded by Councilman Huntley, the meeting then adjourned.

Alice B. M. Powell
City Clerk